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absence from 19.2.16 to 10.3.16.
Pte. A. A. Clouston is granted leave of
absence from 21.2.16 to 28.2.16.

PARADES.

Parades for Saturday, 19th instant—
7.30 a.m.—Members of Signalling
Section and other Signallers, as detailed in
Signalling Section Order dated 8.12.15—
Morse flag and Heliograph practice at
Headquarters.

2.30 p.m.—Musketry (Part II. only),
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Sections M.G. Co. and Civil Service Com-
pany, as detailed in Corps order No. 7
dated 14.2.16. Four members of the
Signalling Section will attend for tele-
phone duty.

DETAIL.

On duty to-night: Centre Sec. M.G. Co.
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Company.

On duty 20th inst.: No. 1 Section Artillery.
Battery.

Orderly Officer: Lieut. Preston.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

ROUTE MARCH CANCELLATION.

The Route March, ordered for Saturday,
February 19th, is cancelled.

MUSKETRY PART II.

The following Platoons will fire on Sun-
day, February 20th, leaving Blake Pier as
indicated:—
9.00 a.m. Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons of No. 2
Company and N.C.O.s of same Company
who have not fired Part II. At 10.00 a.m.
of same Company will attend for Range
Duties.

1.00 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Platoons of No. 2
Company, and No. 2 Platoon of No. 1
Company. Inspector Lamont, Sergt.
Eustace, Hewitt, Forthright, Butterfield
and Willis will attend for Range Duties.
Ambulance Company.—This Company
will do duty from 12 Noon to 6 p.m. during
the Race Meeting, February 21st to 23rd.
Surgeon Inspector Thomas will issue the
necessary orders, and will immediately
report as defaulters any absentees.

SURGEON GUARDS.

Platoons will attend at Central Station
at 5.30 p.m. for measurement as follows:—
Friday, Feb. 18th—No. 1 Platoon No. 1
Company.

Friday, Feb. 25th—No. 1 and 2 Platoons
No. 3 Company.

Wednesday, March 1st—No. 3 and 4
Platoons No. 3 Company.

Thursday, March 2nd—Ambulance
Company.

No. 2 Platoon of No. 1 Company will
attend at Water Police Station at 6 p.m.
on Thursday, Feb. 24th.

MOUNTED POLICE AND MAXIM GUARDS.

P.C.s transferred to these detachments
will perform their ordinary Patrol Duties
until the end of the present month.

DRILL CUP.

The Competition for the Drill Cup
presented by the Legal Profession will be
held at the Central Police Station on
Saturday, March 4th.
Platoons will drill under their own
Commanders during the intervening three
weeks commencing on Monday, Feb. 28th.
Instructions will be issued.

TRAINWAYS.

The Officials of the Tramway Company
have been advised that members of the
Police Reserve should not be permitted to
travel free on the Company's Trams when
in Uniform except when travelling for
the sole purpose of going on or coming
off or in the performance of duty. To
attempt to travel free of charge except in
such circumstances is a breach of Police
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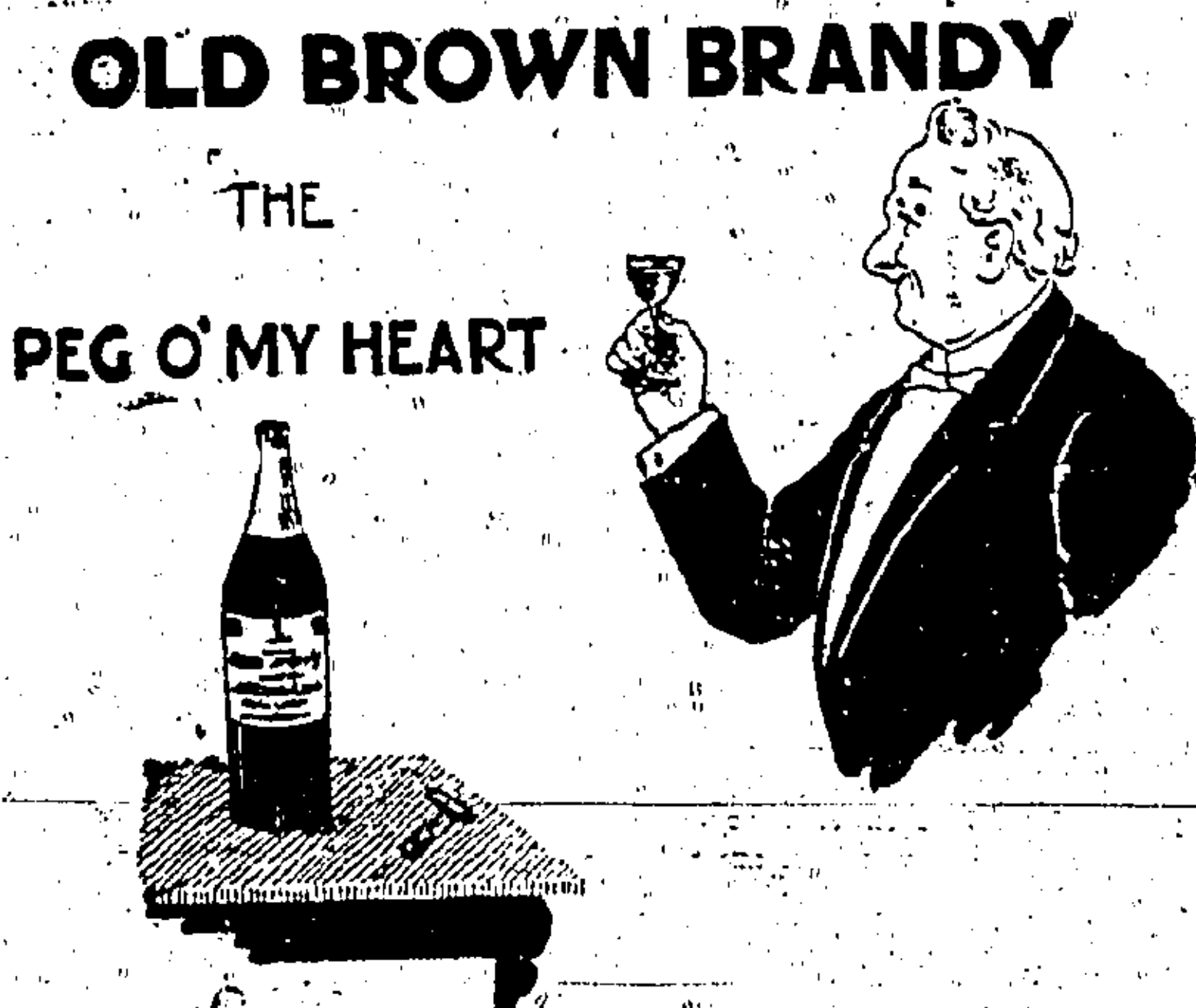
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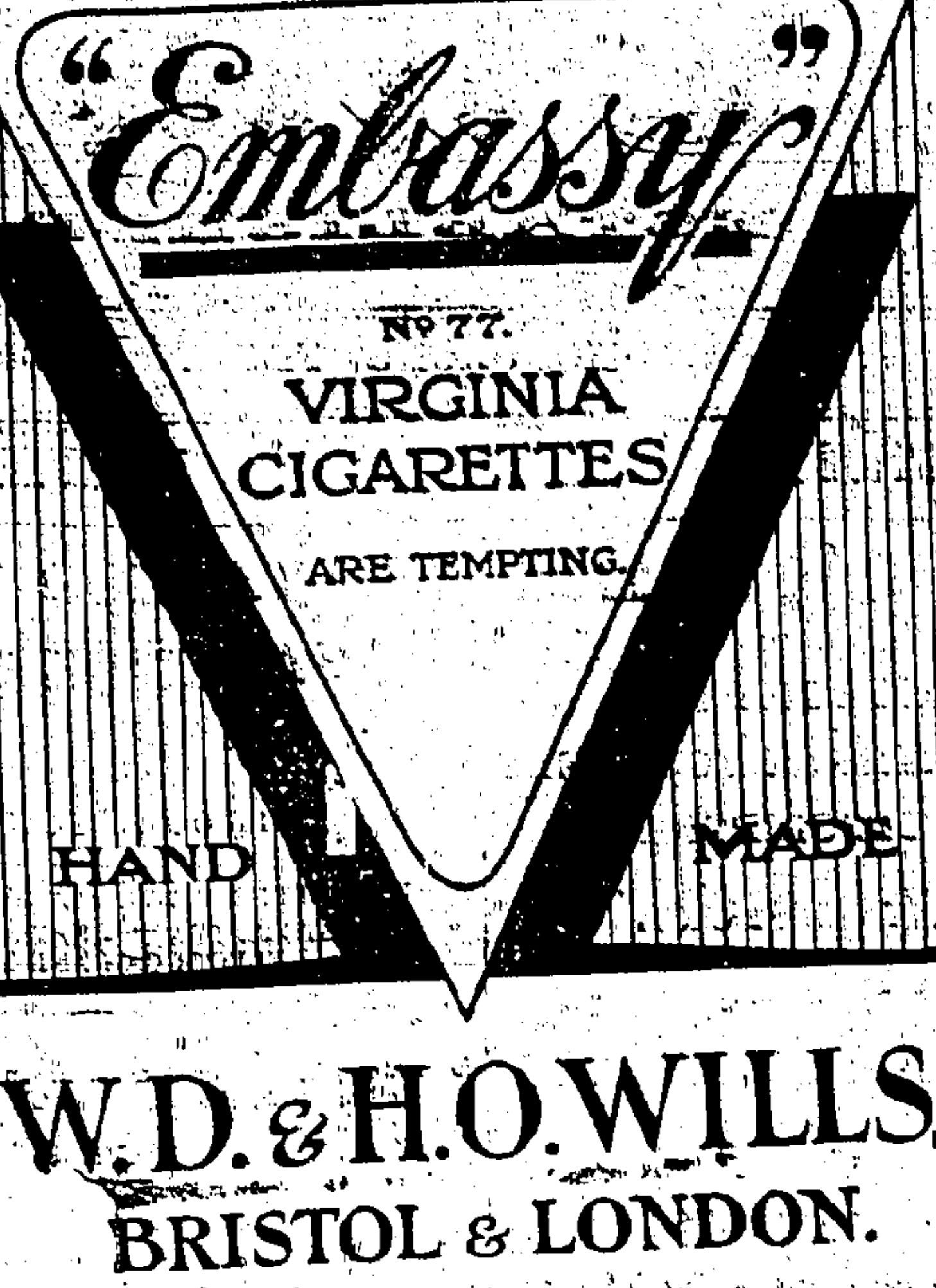
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[BY FRICIVAL A. HILLMAN.]

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power of sundering communications, of
turning meadow-land to marsh and roads
to rivers, of destroying great armies in
his chill embrace. At a single stroke he
can end one campaign—and make another
possible; but his dominion shows short of
the free and open sea. A finger here and
there—in the Baltic and the White Sea—
reminds us of his power to close narrow
waters to ships, and even, at times, to
open them to the passage of armies; but
his influence on the trend of a naval
campaign is small.His consort in maritime affairs might
well be titled "Admiral Keep-the-Sea,"
for he is the predominant force where
men go down to the sea in ships. He
that keeps the sea commands it; he that
cannot command it is perforce driven off
it—driven into the safe seclusion of har-
bour, whence the submarine
cannot enter, where mine-fields have no
terror and navigation no perils. The
German fleet, harboured in snug coves
between Emden and Kiel, knows nothing
of the dangers that hundreds of British
warships are facing day and night—a
comparison that is not without its moral
with "Der Tag" still lying in the dim
and distant future.

"ADMIRAL KEEP-THE-SEA."

The last few weeks have brought home
some of these dangers even to the most
staid of us. The armoured cruiser
"Argyll" and the destroyer "Lons"
have been lost through stranding; the
"Huythe" and "T. B. No. 96" were
sunk in collision; and other vessels, not
attached to the Naval service, however,
have been mined. It is a notable fact
that while we have as yet lost only three
ships through the gun-fire of the German
navy, no fewer than ten have been ac-
cidentally destroyed, the list including,
besides those already named, the "Bol-
werk" and "Princess Irene" (stran-
ded), the "Viktor" and "Clan Mac-
Naughten" (foundered), and the sub-
marine "A.E.2," lost from some unknown
cause off the Australian coast.The facts are less remarkable, however,
when we look back at the history of the
Navy, for it proves that in the most hard-
fought of our naval campaigns "Admiral
Keep-the-Sea" was always a more relent-
less and costly foe than our declared
enemies. Between the resumption of the
war with France in 1893 and the end of
it in 1915, we lost no fewer than 334
warships of various types, not including
those that were taken by the enemy and
subsequently recaptured, and of these
only 89, or less than 27 per cent., were
taken or destroyed in action.

ACCIDENTAL LOSSES.

One hundred and eighty were lost
before and lost—an average of fourteen
a year; 66 put to sea and never made the
land again, overwhelmed and lost in some
heavy storm; and the remaining seven
were for the most part accidentally burnt
at their moorings. Two hundred and
thirty-eight ships, therefore, were sacri-
ficed to the obligation which rested upon
the British Fleet to keep the sea. In
these days, weather counts for less than
it did as a matter of casualties, though
men have not yet succeeded in making
navigation safe in fog, or, for a number
of ships patrolling narrow waters on a
dark night with all lights out. The fore-
fathers of the Fleet, too, had neither
the ambient mine nor the sneaking sub-
marine to worry about.In recent times, before the war, the
Navy has suffered some severe blows
through misfortune of one sort or another
at sea. In 1870 the ironclad "Captain"
capsized in the Bay of Biscay owing to
failing design, and went to the bottom
with 472 officers and men. Ten yearslater the battleship "Vanguard" was
rammed and sunk by a sister ship, the
"Iron Duke," but on this occasion there
was, fortunately, no loss of life. In 1878
the "Eurydice," a training frigate, cap-
sized in a squall off the Isle of Wight;
and two years later to the month a simi-
lar vessel, the "Atalanta," disappeared
at sea without leaving the slightest trace
behind.In later years the ramming of the
"Victoria" and the vanishing of the
"Condor" in the Pacific will be
recalled; but it is worth remark that in
the period of naval concentration in Home
waters, during which the amount of time
spent by our vessels in war training at
sea vastly increased, these accidental
losses diminished wonderfully, and in the
ten years from 1904 onwards we lost in
this way only three vessels of any size—
the battleship "Montagu" and the cruiser
"Bedford"—by grounding; and the cruiser
"Gladstone" in collision.

OLD-TIME SUPERSTITIONS.

It is not infrequently stated that the
Admiralty studiously avoid repulsive names
when christening our warships, because
of the ill-luck which is supposed to attend
ships so named. It is perhaps rather
curious that our losses in the last thirty
years include a "Scorpion," a "Cobra,"
a "Wyvern," but if the authorities were
to exclude from the Navy list every name
that might be associated with accident
or disaster they would have precious little
ground left to work upon. The imme-
diate predecessor of Nelson's "Victory"
was lost at sea with all hands in 1744;
and there are 41 names among our de-
stroyers alone that were borne by ships
lost between 1893 and 1915.As for repulsive, they are not at all badly
represented in the Fleet. There is a
"Lizard," a "Chamoleon," a "Bas-
ilisk," (the name sometimes given to the
so-called flying lizard) and even a
"Battlesnake."One of these old-time superstitions that
still struggles along is the sailor's dis-
like for a ship whose name has been
changed; and those who "believe in"
this sort of thing may be expected to find
much support in the record of the pre-
sent war. Among our own losses we find
that the "Good Hope" was originally
named "Africa," the "Triumph," "Liberal-
ty," the "Pathfinder," "Farnley,"
the "Louis," "Talisman," "Jasper," "No. 10,"
"Greeny," and "No. 12," "Moth,"
while the "Viktor" was the "Viking,"
and the "Tara" the "Hibernia."On the other hand, some of the most
useful and effective work of the war has
been done by the "L" class of destroyers,
every one of which has a name
different from that which it originally
bore. If there were anything in the
theory of bad luck attending a change
of name, (which, of course, there is not),
there would be a large number of people
of German origin in this country with
serious doubts as to what the future
might have in store for them!—The
Daily News.COUGHING INTO
CONSUMPTION"Only a Cough," but you stop
while it is ONLY a cough.WATERBURY'S
METABOLIZED
COD LIVER OIL
COMPOUNDThe finest preparation made
for combating severe coughs.
CURES any cough that is
only a cough. Very palatable.
OF ALL CHEMISTS.

BOTTLES \$1.25 and \$2.50.

INTIMATIONS

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be
CLOSED for the Transference of
RACE MEETING on MONDAY,
TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY the 21st,
22nd and 23rd instant at 11.45 a.m.
Hongkong, Feb. 17, 1916. 130

NOTICE.

WISEMAN, LTD.

IN ORDER to meet the wishes of our
Customers, the Bank of China, Ltd.,
and the Bank of Communications, Ltd.,
will be open on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNES-
DAY, SPECIAL MENU \$1.00 per head
or a la Carte.
Hongkong, Feb. 17, 1916. 131

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against Mr.
GUSTAV EUGEN, of Messrs. W. H.
MEYER & Co., are requested to file
same with the Liquidator before 15th
March, 1916. ALEX. ROSS & Co.,
Liquidators.

Hongkong, Feb. 9, 1916. 97

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the vessels
of the Canadian Pacific Railway
Company's Royal Mail Steamship Line
will be operated under the title of the
CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN SER-
VICES LTD., as Managers and Agents
for the Canadian Pacific Railway Ocean
Steamships.

D. W. CRADDOCK,

General Traffic Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1916. 115

CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN

SERVICES LIMITED.

PACIFIC SERVICE.

I HAVE This Day handed over the
Hongkong Agency to Mr. J. H.
WALLACE who will assume charge, as
General Agent, during my absence on
leave.

D. W. CRADDOCK,

General Traffic Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1916. 116

THE HONGKONG STEAM LAUNCH

TUG AND LIGHTER CO., LTD.

LOST.

APPLICATION has been made to this
Company to issue Duplicate Cer-
tificates of 20 Shares in the name of
YUAN CHONG, or other
Certificates or Certificates in lieu thereof
upon Statement that the Original Certificates
No. 39, Thirty Shares numbered 7729/7738
dated 18th August, 1910, has been LOST
or DESTROYED. NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days
from the date hereof no claim or re-
presentation in respect of such Original
Certificate is made to the Company, the
Undersigned will then proceed to deal with
such application for duplicate.For the Hongkong Steam Launch Tug
and Lighter Co., Ltd.,
GORDON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1916. 103

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

BOXING.

SUFFICIENT entries being
received an AMATEUR Boxing
Competition open to Hongkong will be
held in the Gymnasium of the V.R.C. on
SATURDAY, February 26th.

CONSTITUTION.

(a) 3 two minute rounds and if decided
after the round of one minute.
(b) In 3 weights, 118 lbs, 135 lbs. and
146 lbs.
(c) Competitors weigh in at V.R.C. on
night of February 24th.
Entries stating weight to be addressed to
I. DEAN, V.R.C., before
February 20th. No Entrance Fee.
No Competition if less than 18 entries.
The Committee reserve the right
to refuse entries.

Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1916. 85

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, Banks, beg to notify
generally, that on and after 1st March
no more Comptroller orders, either
had Cash orders issued by Banks, will be
accepted in payment of Collections; or
orders will not be received for credit of
Constituents' Current Accounts.(Signed) The CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA & CHINA,
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,
LTD.,
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,
LTD.,
BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,
BANQUE ASIATIQUE D'ALGERIE,
INTERNATIONAL BANKING
CORPORATION,
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SOCIETE,
NEDERLANDSE INDIA-
COMPTOIR BANK,
BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.,
BANK OF CANTON, LTD.,
Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1916. 123If you have lost your appetite, one of
the big variety of dairy dishes at the
ALEXANDER DAVE is sure to tempt
you.

INTIMATIONS



YOUR EYES

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At the first symptom
of eye strain you should
consult us. We test
eyes scientifically and fit
glasses to individual re-
quirements.CLARK & Co.
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HONGKONG

HONGKONG & MANILA.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1916.

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday & Saturday
(off day).

February 21st, 22nd, 23rd & 26th.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the
GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE
may be obtained from Messrs. Kelly and
Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate. Price \$2 for
the M. King (including the Off Day), or \$3
per day. Tickets for the Off Day, \$2.
No one admitted without a Ticket, to be
shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1916. 125

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the plea-
sure of the presence of the LADIES
at the GRAND STAND and the
ENCLOSURE during the Races.
A Stand and Enclosure will be reserved
for Members and Members' Wives and
Families. Tickets for which are being sent
out with the Members' Tickets.
All Tickets must be produced to gain
admission.
Special accommodation will be reserved
as in recent years for Chinese Ladies and
their Female attendants in the Stand
created on the plot of ground next to the
Lusitano Club Stand.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1916. 124

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

PASSES for Servants will be issued on
application to the Undersigned on
SATURDAY, the 19th instant.
No Servants will be allowed inside
the ENCLOSURE during the Races. Orders
during the Race Days WITHOUT
TICKETS, which can be obtained on applica-
tion to the Undersigned. These Tickets are
only available for Servants while in
attendance on their employers or when on
duty at the various Stands.
Any Chinese found loitering about with
Servants' passes in their possession will
be removed from the Enclosure.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, Feb. 16, 1916. 125

NOTICE.

THE KUNG WO OLD CLOTHES

STORE, TAUMATI.

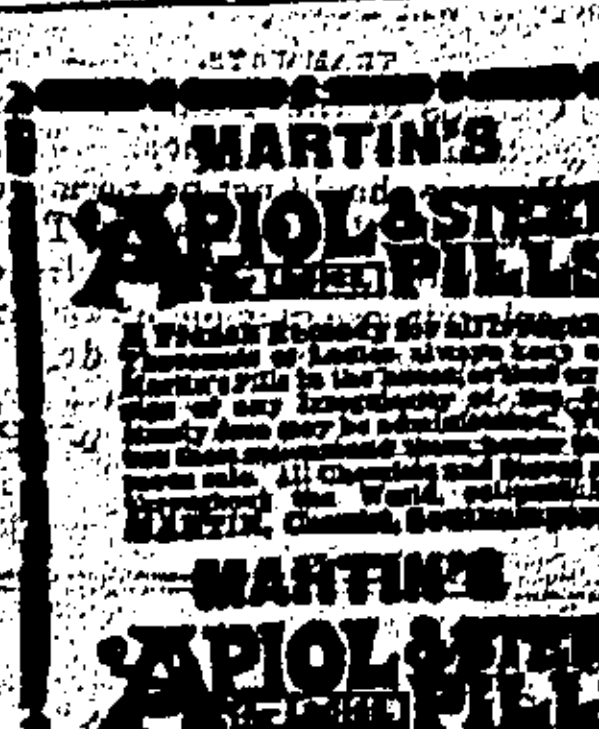
The Undersigned hereby give notice
that the share Certificate issued by
the above in my name has been lost and
that unless it is produced to me on or
before the 1st day of March, 1916, new
Certificates will be issued and the old
Certificate will be void. This said
Certificate was last handed by me for safe
custody in one of the boxes of the
Kwong Sang Loan Shop, West
Point, and I have not seen him since.

LEUNG YIP CHO.

Care of The KUNG WO Firm.

No. 137 Shanghai Street,
Yaukai.

Hongkong, Feb. 17, 1916. 123



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THERAPION No. 3

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PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on
SATURDAY,
the 19th February, 1916, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,
ONE REX MOTOR CYCLE
in running order.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 18, 1916.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on
SATURDAY,
the 19th February, 1916, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,
A LARGE QUANTITY OF
GOLD AND SILVER JEWELLERY,
&c., &c., &c.

Comprising—
Gold, Silver and Fancy Wrist Watches, a large assortment of Gold Rings, Set with Diamonds, Pearls, Rubies, Sapphires, Turquoise, &c., &c., Gent's Gold and Enamelled Scarf Pins, Brooches, Pendants, &c., Coral and Amber Neck Chains, Fancy Goods, &c.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1916.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on
SATURDAY,
the 19th February, 1916, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 9, Canton Villas, "Lower Flat,"
Kimberley Road, Kowloon,
SUNDRY
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE.

Consisting of—
Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Double Bed, Chest-of-Drawers, Roll-top Desk (American make), Electric Table Fan, Shanghai Bath, etc., etc.

Also
Small Piano by Broadwood.

On view day of Sale.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 12, 1916.

"CHINA MAIL" PUBLICATIONS.

OBTAINABLE at the "China Mail" Office, 5 Wyndham Street, Hongkong—

HISTORY OF UNION CHURCH (1891-1903) 50

HONGKONG'S MUSICAL HISTORY 50

NOTES ON WILD LIFE IN HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA (By Rev. G. A. Buxby, M.A.) 50

Part I—Mammals and Birds 50

Part II—Reptiles, Amphibians and Fishes 50

TEACHING OF THE GOSPEL IN JAPAN AND TIBET (Historical Pamphlet) 25

THE MISSIONS STRANGERS (History of the "Eastern Churches") 1.00

CHINESE SCHOOL BOOK "San-I-King" translated by E. J. Ellis 25

SIR ROBERT HART'S LAND TAX MEMORANDUM (criticism) 20

WARNING BOOKS (for men) 30

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th day of February, 1916, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1915.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 14th February, to SATURDAY, the 19th February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, Jan. 31, 1916.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY LIMITED.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 8, Connaught Road, on FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1916, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 14th February, 1916 until FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1916, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1916.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 2nd March, 1916, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st February to 2nd March, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1916.

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INTIMATIONS

THE SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.
TO THE ELECTORS.

GENTLEMEN.

I have been requested by a large number of my friends to offer myself as a candidate at the forthcoming Sanitary Board Election.

I was born and educated in Hongkong and am a Bachelor in Surgery and Bachelor of Medicine of the University of Hongkong and have practiced medicine in this Colony since 1912. During that time my work has taken me mainly among the middle and poorer classes, and I have thus had peculiar opportunities of realizing the hygienic needs of those who live on the lower levels and in Kowloon, and of seeing wherein lies the need for Sanitary reform in the Colony as a whole.

I have made—and am making—a close study of Hygiene, and not merely from a theoretical point of view, and I venture to claim that my ideas and methods on all sanitation questions are practical and up to date.

My work as Medical Officer to many large charitable institutions amongst which are the Blind Home at Kowloon and the St. Lewis Industrial School (West Point) provides me with an ever increasing stock of valuable experience.

Should you see fit to elect me to the position created by the departure of Dr. Finlay, I tender my pledge to follow the excellent lines laid down by that gentleman—especially in regard to the water-carriage system and other important matters.

I am an advocate for efficiency combined with strict economy, and I elected, I undertake to keep always in mind the general all-round welfare of the ratepayers and other inhabitants of Hongkong.

I have the honour to remain, Gentlemen, Your obedient servant.

F. M. GRACA OZORIO.

M.B., B.S.
Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1916.

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

TO THE ELECTORS.

GENTLEMEN.

At the request of several prominent residents of the Colony, I have decided to offer myself as a candidate at the forthcoming election to the Sanitary Board—I therefore venture to place before you my qualifications as follows:

(1) Fellow, Late Lecturer and Member of the Executive Council Incorporated Institute of Hygiene, London.

(2) Late Lecturer in Biology, Demonstrator in Physiology and Member of School Council, Middlesex Hospital, London.

(3) Professor of Physiology and Biology, University of Hongkong.

Should I be successful in obtaining your confidence and be elected, it will always be my endeavour to support the adoption of those sanitary measures which modern science shows are so necessary for the preservation of health and the prevention of disease.

Yours faithfully,

H. G. EARLE, M.A., M.B. (Camb.).

Hongkong University, Feb. 15, 1916.

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YACHTING.

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The results of the seventh of the series of Club Championship Races for the Handicap, and One Design Classes are as follows:—

HANDICAP CLASS.

Course—Channel Rock (P) Kowloon Rock (P) North Fairway Buoy (P) Distance 10.1 miles.

Handicap on Finishing Corrected

Course Time Time

Yacht M. S. H. M. S. H. M. S.

Dione Scr. 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Rona Scr. 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

La Linda 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Kathleen 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Colleen 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Dorothea 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Ayesha 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Buccaneer 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Position Points for race Points to date

(1) Rona 0 0 0

(2) Colleen 0 0 0

(3) Dione 0 0 0

(4) La Linda 0 0 0

(5) Kathleen 0 0 0

(6) Ayesha 0 0 0

(7) Buccaneer 0 0 0

ONE DESIGN CLASS.

Course—Treas Rock (P) North Fairway Buoy (P) Distance 8.45 miles.

Handicap on Finishing Corrected

Course Time Time

Yacht M. S. H. M. S. H. M. S.

Ayesha Scr. 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Daphne 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Halcyon 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Bonita 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Position Points for race Points to date

(1) Ayesha 0 0 0

(2) Daphne 0 0 0

(3) Halcyon 0 0 0

(4) Bonita 0 0 0

KEYHARD RACE AND GAZEL CLASSES.

Course—Treas Rock (P) North Fairway Buoy (P) Distance 8.45 miles.

Handicap on Finishing Corrected

Course Time Time

Yacht M. S. H. M. S. H. M. S.

Ayesha Scr. 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Daphne 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Halcyon 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Bonita 1.41 5 39 30 6 41 11

Position Points for race Points to date

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(3) Halcyon 0 0 0

(4) Bonita 0 0 0

CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING CO.

The Chinese Engineering & Mining Co. held its third annual ordinary general meeting in London on December 17 to receive the directors' report and accounts for the year ended June 30, 1915. From a copy of the report, received by the last mail, it is seen that the gross profit of the Kailash Mining Administration, under which the mines of this company and those of the Lanchoo Mining Company, are carried on, is £21,250.85, the proportion of profit to which the Chinese Provincial Government is entitled (£103,316.05), and other items, there remains a net profit of £3,228,415.91, which is divisible as follows: 60 per cent. to the Chinese Engineering and Mining, and 40 per cent. to the Lanchoo Mining Company, Limited.

The amount brought to the credit of the company's profits and loss account, including interest in China, less certain small expenses, is £1,614,428.8s. 4d. Interest and other items bring up the total credit to £17,124,144.8s. After deducting administration and other expenses in Europe, there remains a net profit of £159,087.8s. 10d. Adding the sum of £22,268.5s. 7d. brought forward from the last account, and deducting the sum of £13,176.1s. 11d. for Income Tax, there remains a divisible balance of £198,169.1s. 6d.

An interim dividend of five per cent. free of income tax, was paid on May 15, 1915. The board propose that a further dividend of five per cent. be declared; free of income tax (making a total of ten per cent. for the year), payable on December 21, and that the balance, £29,159.1s. 6d., be carried forward to the next account.

Notwithstanding the difficulties caused by the war in Europe the report says, business done by the Chinese Engineering and Mining Administration showed an increase which was, however, counteracted by the fall in the rate of exchange. The total sales of coal for the year amounted to 2,392,323 tons.

BEWARE OF COULDS.

CHILDREN are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping-cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE METAL MARKET.

The annual report for 1915 of Messrs Wm. Jackson & Co. states:—The fluctuations in prices during the past twelve months will in themselves make the year 1915 a memorable one in the Metal Trade.

Looking back we can see the effects of the formation of a standing army of some four million men, a Navy with one million and the remaining available labour of the country mainly engaged in producing Munitions of War, combined with the great and growing scarcity of shipping, brought about by the duplicating at various points on the map of our initial Expeditionary Force and the consequent enormous rise in freights.

In ordinary times trade demands contract as prices rise, and practically vanish as the advance is carried beyond a certain level, but all past experience counts for nothing under present conditions. The war crisis which have occurred to our American friends have led to a sharp revival in the Home demand there which has gone far to accelerate the upward tendency that has prevailed throughout the entire year.

Iron and Cleveland prices sagged early in the year on the general slackness prevailing in the Foundry Trade and stocks increased, but the rising freights made importations of American iron impossible, and with the rise of 50s per ton in Hematite and similar advances in coal and coke it was impossible for Cleveland iron not to follow.

Copper has had wide fluctuations, due no doubt partly to American manipulation of the market, but their increasing output of electrolytic copper has done much to depress the price. With the Russian demand absorbing the bulk of the Japanese output as well as a considerable portion of the Australian output, their task has been an easy and profitable one.

The fact that no Home demand has been sent to the bottom during the year must be a source of great satisfaction to consumers and underwriters—if not to speculators.

Lead has moved both ways like Copper, depending largely upon the Russian demand, but in the year, and later on the rapid rise in a little while, which, of course, is reflected in lead to a much greater degree than in copper or spelter.

Spelter rose £87 in the first six months of the year, principally on the fact that all sheets used in the camps throughout the country were supplied galvanised. By the time a suitable substitute for spelter was discovered by the Government in tin-plate, the price of spelter fell £60, but later on it rose again on the increasing demand for munitions.

For the New Year it is impossible to predict as everything depends upon the duration of the War.

As the year advances, however, and as the new recruits are called up costs of all raw material produced in this country are bound to increase.

Iron is more affected than other metals by this question of labour, but with a falling off in general demand and increasing difficulties in the way of rail and shipping facilities, consumption seems to us to have reached its maximum.

Copper. The Transatlantic freight contracts at 17s. 6d. per ton are a thing of the past, and freights are now three to four times that figure. The block at New York and the scarcity of shipping facilities are likely to prevent any serious set-back in prices of electrolytic copper, and stocks of standard copper are small and easily manipulated.

There seems no reason to look for important fluctuations in this metal, as supply and demand seem evenly balanced, and the Government have taken steps to limit the stocks in the country are kept at a reasonable level. This metal is also less affected by peace prospects than any of the others.

It seems to be doubtful whether the position in Mexico has really improved or not, but any prospect of more serious conditions there would appear to us to make lead at £30 seem on a high basis.

Spelter. It is to be hoped that producers in this country will be able gradually to increase their production in conjunction with our Australian friends and so make an independent, of course, but a reasonable level. This metal is also less affected by peace prospects than any of the others.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10.25 a.m.—Yall Moon.
11 a.m.—Auction of Gold and Silver Jewellery, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.
11 a.m.—Auction of a Motor Cycle at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.
Noon.—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Meeting.
2.15 p.m.—H.K. Cricket Club v. Civil Service C.C. on Club Ground.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at No. 2, Canton Villas, Kowloon. The Melbourne Company at the Victoria Theatre.

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, Feb. 20:—Princess Royal's birthday (1897).
9 a.m.—Excursion to Maкао by s.s. "Taitan".
Volunteer Reserves: Field Operations. Mon. 21, Tues. 22 & Wed. 23.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Race Meeting.
FRIDAY, Feb. 25:—11.30 a.m.—China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co's Meeting.
SATURDAY, Feb. 26:—H.K. Jockey Club Races—Off Day.
MONDAY, Feb. 28:—Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
WEDNESDAY, March 1:—St. David's Day.
FRIDAY 2 & SATURDAY, March 4:—H.K. Horticultural Society's Annual Show.
SATURDAY 4 & MONDAY, March 6:—9.30 p.m.—"The Angel in the House" by the H.K. A.D.C. at Theatre Royal.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. J. W. Bolles returned from Manila to-day by the s.s. "Chinhua."

We are informed on enquiry at the office of the Douglas Steamship Company that the s.s. Haimun has not been effected and that rumours as to her disposal are baseless.

The managing directors of the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company have decided, with the approval of the board of directors, to pay an interim dividend of £1.50 per share and £1.10 per share on the ordinary shares on account of the dividend to be expected for the year 1915.

Mr. W. K. Dods, agent of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Calcutta, has been re-elected by the members of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce to be the representative of the Chamber on the Board of Trustees appointed under the Calcutta Improvement Act, 1911.

DEATH.

Forbes.—At the Peak Hospital, Hongkong, on February 15th, John Forbes, son of the late James Forbes, of Greenock.
The funeral will pass the monument at 6 p.m. to-day.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, Feb. 18, 1916.

THE SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

THE election of a member of the Sanitary Board to fill the vacancy created by the departure of Dr. G. H. Fitzwilliams takes place this evening at the City Hall between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock. The two candidates—Dr. H. C. EARLE, and Dr. F. M. GRACA OZORIO—may be said to be practically unknown to the bulk of the electors—that is to say the British residents represent the majority on the electoral lists. Dr. EARLE, who is a Professor of Physiology and Biology at the University, has but recently come to the Colony; but Dr. OZORIO was born and educated in Hongkong, and must therefore be well known to many, especially in the Portuguese community, and this community provides a very considerable number of voters for this election. It cannot be said that the contest provokes any excitement, for there is no policy advocated which gives rise to much difference of opinion. Dr. OZORIO pledges himself to follow "the excellent lines" laid down by Dr. FITZWILLIAMS—especially in regard to the water-carriage system and other important matters; to advocate "efficiency combined with strict economy," and promises to "always keep in mind the general all-round welfare of the ratepayers and other inhabitants of Hongkong." Dr. EARLE says it will always be his endeavour to support the adoption of those sanitary measures which modern science shows are necessary for the preservation of health and the prevention of disease. Dr. EARLE's special studies in Hygiene and his high qualifications give in themselves assurance of his deep interest in such questions as are within the province of the Sanitary Board, and this may be considered a good offset to his shortness of residence. That two such candidates should have been put forward for election is a gratifying proof of civic interest in the Colony. It is for the electors to choose between them, and since it is a choice between men rather than policies we need say no more on the subject than bid the electors do their duty as citizens.

The death at home of Sir Cecil Clement Smith will ever be deplored by the boys of the Straits Settlements, says the Singapore Free Press. It was to his active support, if not to his direct initiation, when Colonel Secretary, that the two Queen's Scholarships were established, by which the two most advanced boys in the Schools of the Colony, after a competitive examination, were sent home every year to complete their education. Amongst those who had profited by it in Singapore are such well known men as the Hon. Mr. Dr. Lim Boon Keng, Messrs. Hong Ong Sang, Rans, Gier, C. H. de Silva, Dr. de Souza, Dr. Clarke, and some others. The reduction to one scholarship, and its eventual abolition, was a retrograde step on the part of the Government.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN FORBES.

END OF A FINE ATHLETIC CAREER.

We regret to have to record the death, which took place at the Peak Hospital this morning, of Mr. J. Forbes, of the China Sugar Refinery, and one of the best all-round athletes who had ever resided in Hongkong.

Deceased was a well known boxer, and for the past six years held the amateur championship of the Colony for welter, middle and heavy weights. He was in great demand as a trainer, and had trained most of the professional boxers who, from time to time, visited the Colony, including Billy Bellow of Manila and Roy Kenney, the American boxer. "Jack" Forbes last appeared in the ring locally at the City Hall about 18 months ago when he knocked out Thompson of H.M.S. Monmouth in the primary contest in a programme arranged by Mr. F. E. Hall. "Jack" was also a clever cyclist and held the Hongkong championship for many years. In yachting and rowing he also excelled, and held several O.C.C. championships and rowed in several winning boats at V.R.C. Regattas, including, we believe, an International Scotch four. Swimming and water polo also found in him a keen and capable exponent and he was one of the Hongkong team that visited Shanghai two seasons ago. In tennis and football he also took a large interest. He won numerous trophies and cups and his collection is regarded as the finest ever held by a local athlete.

His demise has depleted the realm of sport of a popular and accomplished member, and his death will be widely regretted in sporting circles.

During the last few months he had been in failing health and five weeks ago he was compelled to go into hospital. He was always cheery and jovial and looked eagerly forward to the time when he would be well again, but death overtook him as a result of a growth on the liver, the end being not unexpected.

The deepest sympathy will be felt for Mr. Alexander Forbes, his brother, Mr. John Rodger and other relatives in the Colony and at home.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS.

The following local weddings are announced:—
Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., of 107, The Peak, and Miss Ellen Victoria Stevens, who is en route from England by the s.s. "Hirano-maru." The bridegroom-elect is associated with the well-known firm of Messrs. Linstead and Davis and also a member of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps. The wedding will take place from the residence of Mrs. Maitland.

The wedding is announced to take place on March 7th of Mr. Charles Miller of the Naval Ordnance and Miss Flora Victoria Denning, of 32, Humphreys Avenue, Kowloon.

The marriage of Col. Henry Wilson Dine, to Mrs. Alma Sydney Iris Howett, widow of the late Mr. B. A. Howett, C.M.G., Ridge House, Broadwood Road, Hongkong, is announced to take place shortly.

Another wedding announced is that of Mr. Albert Bruce Piddicock, civil engineer, Shamone, Canton, and Miss Lydia Augusta Arnot who is on route for Hongkong from England.

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THE MAGISTRACY.

A Chinese was summoned for conveying carcasses of pigs from the slaughter house otherwise than in a wheeled and covered cart. The case was remanded till Thursday.

Li Sze was charged by Inspector Terrell before Mr. Hazland with unlawful gaming in her possession of 4 lbs of loose opium found on her by a Chinese revenue officer. The case was remanded till Monday, bail being fixed at \$400.

Mr. T. Hayashi, manager of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Steamship Company, was summoned before Mr. Wood for causing to be affixed to Crown property, namely the wall of the steps from Queen's Road Central to Battery Path, a poster advertising "Asahi" beer.

Defendant, who explained that the poster had been put there through the mistake of a coolie, was fined \$1.

ANNOKED BY A DOG.

G. A. B. de Silva, 1 Barrow Terrace, Kowloon, summoned V. B. de Souza, 3 Barrow Terrace, Kowloon, before Mr. Hazland, for keeping a dog accustomed to annoy passengers.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner said he appeared for Mr. Leo D'Almeida, who was indisposed. The case was fixed for Thursday next.

ALLEGED THEFT FROM A SHIP.

Chan Ping Nam, alias Chan Kaa, was charged by Detective Sergeant Wills before Mr. Hazland with stealing from the s.s. Kolya, lying at Kowloon Docks, 200 lbs of paint, seven pieces of sail-cloth, and a quantity of varnish and old rope, total value \$143, the property of Messrs. Thorndike and Co.

Captain James Wilcox, master of the Kolya, was the complainant, the defendant being represented by Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

Mr. A. M. Preston, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared to prosecute when the case was taken later in the morning. Outlining the case, Mr. Preston said that on February 18th the Kolya was lying at the Kowloon Wharf. Defendant came on board and asked the 2nd mate, who was then in charge, whether he might remove certain rubbish that was lying on the deck. As they would otherwise have had to pay for the removal of the rubbish, he gave the defendant permission, giving him a bill allowing him to pass with it. Defendant had taken, not the rubbish, but the articles mentioned in the charge. He (Mr. Preston) understood that the defence was that the man said he bought the goods from the second officer.

Mr. Grist:—We bought them from one of the officers. I don't know which one it was. Harry Ward, second officer of the Kolya, identified the goods in question as the ship's property. The 2nd mate was not present when he told defendant to come and take the rubbish that was on the deck. Witness took a return at 4 o'clock. The rubbish was on the upper deck, but the stolen goods were in the lower deck, but he could not say about the paint. The lamp trimmer had run away.

Evidence of the goods being put on board her boat was given by a boatwain who took defendant to and from the ship. Defendant, on oath, said he was a marine hawker. He paid \$40 to the second officer personally for the goods. The 2nd mate saw the money paid. The crew assisted him in putting the goods on to the ship. The second officer saw them being put on, and then gave him a pass. The 2nd mate said he saw defendant give a small bundle of notes to the second officer. Defendant was discharged.

SUMMARY COURT DIFFICULTIES.

INTERNEED AND DEPORTED DEFENDANTS.

Defendant is now in Sydney as one of the interned prisoners who went from here on the "Empire," said Mr. J. H. Gardiner, in the Summary Court this morning, in a case in which Messrs. Tak Cheung used J. Jaramal for \$11.50 for goods supplied.

Mr. Gardiner added that the man had not been served, but there was a fund in the Colony which had been attached. The man had admitted the claim with the exception of a cash, which plaintiff said he had not got. He had a letter from the Camp Commandant.

Mr. Justice Gompertz: How can I try it in the man's absence?

Mr. Gardiner said he was entitled to it on a writ of foreign attachment.

His Lordship said he would consider the case in Chambers to-morrow.

In another case Mr. Gardiner said he appeared for the defendant who had been deported from the Colony. If his Lordship would adjourn it for a week, he would probably be able to make some arrangement.

Mr. Grist, for the plaintiff, agreed and the case was adjourned.

SUED BY A SERVANT.

At the Summary Court this morning before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Wong Yung, a cook-boy, sued his master, Mr. Macfarlane, for \$15 wages in lieu of notice. His Lordship:—(To Mr. Macfarlane) I understand that you took out a summons against this boy at the Magistracy. Did you tell the Magistracy before he tried that this case was pending here? Mr. Macfarlane:—No. I told the Magistracy Clerk and showed him the summons.

His Lordship:—Apparently the Magistracy did not understand that this action was pending here. If he had known he would not have tried the case. I understand that he fined the man \$10 and let him go. I told the man to come back and show the case.

After evidence—been given by Mrs. Macfarlane, judgment was given against the plaintiff. His Lordship telling him he should not have left his master's employ in the way he did.

COMPANY MEETING.

KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The 27th ordinary meeting of the shareholders in the Kowloon Land and Building Company Ltd. was held at the offices of the company to-day. There were present:—Mr. T. F. Blough (presiding), Messrs. J. Rodger, T. E. Pearce, (directors); Mr. M. S. Northcott (acting secretary); Messrs. E. H. Seeh, A. A. Pyke, and E. B. Shepherd.

The Chairman moving the adoption of the report and accounts—said:—I regret to say that the year's working does not compare favourably with that of the previous year, the net result being \$5,035.04 short of the profit made for 1914. The explanation of this is, of course, not far to seek, due as it is to the falling off in rents arising from the loss of many of our former tenants from War causes, and I regret to say that we have several of our houses still vacant. I have little doubt, however, but that when times improve they will again readily let.

Mr. E. S. Sarré seconded and the motion was unanimously carried.

The appointment of Mr. T. E. Pearce to the directorate in the place of Mr. A. Rodger resigned, was confirmed, on the motion of Mr. Sarré seconded by Mr. Northcott.

Messrs. J. Rodger and Pearce were re-appointed directors on the motion of Mr. Sarré seconded by Mr. Sarré.

Mr. Rodger proposed and Mr. Pearce seconded the appointment of Mr. E. Percy Smith as auditor, which was carried.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants were ready and could be had on application.

DEATH OF THE "LINAN'S" CHIEF OFFICER.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

An inquiry was held by Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Magistracy this afternoon into the circumstances of the death of William Oliver Ashworth Shepherd, Chief Officer of the s.s. Linan.

Mr. E. J. Gedge appeared on behalf of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and Mr. C. D. Wilkinson on behalf of the O. A. Ka Shuen Kaisha, as owners of the O. A. Ka Shuen Kaisha.

The jury was composed of Messrs. Theodore Johnson, Francis Bavington and Duarte Eltonio Maria de Souza. Mr. Hazland (to jury):—This is a death inquiry respecting the death of one W. O. A. Shepherd, late chief officer of the s.s. Linan. On the 2nd instant at about 10.15 a.m. a serious collision took place near Swatow between the said Linan and the Japanese steamer, the Dayin Maru, which resulted in the Dayin Maru being sunk with the loss of 183 lives.

The deceased was on the bridge at the time of the collision. The Linan was badly damaged in the bow and went into dock at Quarry Bay. On the morning of the 6th instant, that is, four days after the collision, the deceased was found dead in his bunk while the ship was in dock at Quarry Bay. The body was sent to the Public Mortuary, and afterwards portions of the remains were sent to the Government Analyst, who reported that no poison was present in the parts submitted to him.

Mr. Dorey, Medical Officer in charge of the Public Mortuary, would testify that the important organs of the deceased body showed considerable disease. Dr. Macfarlane was of opinion that the cause of death was heart failure due to fatty degeneration of the heart. Having regard to the fact that deceased was found dead so soon after the collision, he (Mr. Hazland) had considered it his duty as Coroner to hold a public inquiry with a jury. The bottles found in deceased's cabin were also sent for analysis but the report was not yet ready, and having regard to the Analyst's report on the portions of the body he had not felt justified in delaying, nor did he think it necessary to delay the inquiry.

Mr. C. McI. Messer (Captain Superintendent of Police) mentioned that the collision occurred about 12.15 a.m. on the morning of the 2nd February.

Evidence was then given by Mr. E. R. Dorey, Government Analyst.

Dr. Macfarlane, Medical Officer in charge of the Public Mortuary, gave evidence as to the fatty condition of the heart.

The Captain Superintendent of Police:—Would you consider that the anxiety caused by the collision would affect the heart?—I think it might.

The Captain Superintendent:—Is it usual in cases like this to send the organs to the Analyst to test the poison?—It is very usual practice in cases of sudden death.

Mr. E. R. Dorey, recalled, said, in answer to Mr. Gedge, that his analysis of the organs of deceased would exclude sulphuric, veronal, anti-pyren and arsenic.

Captain E. D. Pottinger, master of the Linan, deposed that deceased was on the bridge at the time of the collision. Witness saw him a minute or two after the collision. He was not excited.

The Linan's ship's boy said that Mr. Shepherd told him on the morning of the 5th that he had pains in his leg and did not want any tea. At night he said he did not want dinner, and was "out" if anyone brought to him at 11 p.m. Deceased drank one glass only. The next morning at 8.30 the boy told witness that he had knocked at deceased's cabin door three or four times without getting an answer. Witness and the quartermaster went along and found deceased dead.

A verdict of "Death from natural causes" was returned.

SPORTING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

CHALLENGE SHIELD, SEMI FINAL.

The Royal Engineers will play the Navy in the semi-final of the Shield Competition on the Club ground to-morrow. The game will commence at 3 p.m. sharp for the convenience of the Navy players.

The following will represent the R.E.—Rogers; Coxon and Richards; Brennan, Smith, and Horro; Townsend, Seal, Scott, White, and Pearce. Referee, Mr. F. W. Wright.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

The Club and the Shropshires will again be engaged to-morrow in the League, kick-off at 4 p.m.—The club will be represented by the following:—J. Rodger; F. W. Black, J. McCubbin; M. L. Ralton, J. Stewart, and T. R. Chassey; G. A. Robinson, W. E. Vivash, J. R. Walker, H. E. McTavish, and J. Stalker. Referee, Mr. Davies, A.O.C.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of this body was held yesterday, Mr. W. V. Vivash presiding. A letter was read from Mr. A. A. Wilson, R.A., resigning his position as a member of the Referees' Board. Appreciation was expressed of Mr. Wilson's invaluable services to the Association and to football generally during the past few years, and it was decided that he be asked to reconsider his resignation.

At a meeting of the Football League, which followed, Bombardier Edgler, R.G.A., and Private Dyer, R.S.L.I., were re-elected as junior players. The meeting also agreed to the transfer of Messrs. Y. and H. Abbas from the Islamic to the Diocesan School Club.

MARINE COURT.

Wong Pak, master of the Yau-tai ferry launch "Tai Cheong," was charged on remand before Commander Beckwith at the Marine Court this morning with carrying 20 passengers in excess of the number allowed by his license.

Mr. W. B. Hind, of Mr. G. K. Hall, Brutton's office, appeared to defend. Mr. Hind said he had advised the man to plead guilty.

Commander Beckwith:—Are they going to plead guilty to both of them lying? Mr. Hind:—No, your Worship. They still stick to their own story and say it must have been other members of the crew to whom Mr. Moore spoke.

Commander Beckwith:—Does the co-accused still plead he knows nothing about it? Mr. Hind:—He says he saw Mr. Moore but he does not remember speaking to him about the number of passengers. If your Worship will ask him, I think defendant will withdraw his plea of not guilty.

Defendant said he pleaded guilty to an excess of 10 passengers.

Mr. Hind said he could only say in mitigation that it was the day before Chinese New Year and there would be more people travelling, and perhaps they were a little careless.

His Worship said that was the first conviction against the defendant and he proposed to deal lightly with him. He fined him \$50, or a month's imprisonment.

ON BOARD SHIP WITHOUT PERMISSION.

A Chinese was charged with being on board the Empress of Russia without permission.

Mr. H. Fielding, Master-at-arms of the Empress of Russia, said that about 10 yesterday morning defendant came up from below with some cooked food and went to pass on to the gangway. Witness asked him what he was doing and defendant ran away and hid himself, the search for him lasting an hour and a half. When found he said he was a substitute working on board for a Chinese cook. Inquiries were made, but no one on board knew the defendant.

Defendant said he went on board to get some pig food. The cook had given him permission.

Defendant was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour.

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It is absurd to allow a cough to hang on, and as your vitality when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure you. You don't know where a persistent cough will land you. You can't afford to allow your throat and lungs to become diseased. When it is such a simple thing to stop a cough, why not get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE COMING RACES.

TO-DAY'S TRAINING TIMES.

Most of the work this morning was confined to trotting, quarters and half-miles, preparatory to giving the ponies their usual training gallops to-morrow morning. Some fast quarters were done and the half miles recorded were:—Mistral, Boyd, 1st 1. 32.3, 32.3; 1.03.1.

WINNIE (DAMIA), Durhill, 35, 20=1.03. GRANT DAMIA, boy, 34, 30=1.02. GRANT DAMIA, boy, 34, 30=1.03. PINEAPPLE DAMIA, boy, 34, 31=1.06. BLACK DIAMOND DAMIA, Vids, 30, 31=1.07.

STANDARD DAMIA, Durhill, 34, 30=1.04.4.

THE DEER DAMIA, boy, 32, 28=1.04.

WINNIE DAMIA, Vids, 33, 30=1.03.3.

GARLAND, Durhill, 33, 29=1.03.4.

SPRINKLES, Vids, 30, 30=1.03.

SHARRING, Vids, 30, 30=1.03.

MEKRI, boy, 30, 30=1.07.

All the "Evo" string were merely swelled but Mr. Ellis, Radoorie sent several of his over three-quarters the Australian Chief (Mr. Stewart) off the full Chippings distance. His performance was quite good and must have pleased all who are interested in the pony, especially its owner. The time was, 33, 1.00, 1.40.3, 2.13.3, 2.49.3; last mile 2.10.3, last 1/2 1.00, last 1/4 30. The other Chids to gallop were, Derby Chief, Stewart, 1 mile, 43.2, 1.23, 1.40.3, 2.32; last 1/2 32.3; Baroda Chief, Stewart, 1.32.3, 1.04.4, 1.38; last 1/2 33.1; Pingwu Chief, Stewart (accompanied by Shropshire Chief, boy); last 1/2 32.2, 1.03.2; last 1/4 31.

By courtesy of the Official Handicapper we are able to publish the weights for the Poochow Cup (5th race, 1st day) which are as follows:—

THE POOCHOW CUP.—HANDICAP.
1—PINEAPPLE DAMIA 137 lbs.
2—SUNDAWY (late Suffolk) 150 ..
3—STANDARD DAMIA 139 ..
4—AUSTRALIAN CHIEF 133 ..
5—TRIUMPHANT DAMIA 133 ..
6—FURAN CHIEF 132 ..
7—PEACE 132 ..
8—GRIFFIN GREEN 140 ..
9—FREDDIE 140 ..
10—LORENZO 148 ..
11—ROCKWELL (late Roman Chief) 148 ..
12—OLBION 148 ..
13—MAYBE 145 ..
14—TINKER 143 ..
15—SHARRING 139 ..
16—DAVONER (late Ideal Dablia) 130 ..
17—NEW ZEALAND (late The Gay Bird) Scratched.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

12% DIVIDEND.

The accounts for year ended 31st December, 1915, show:—
Gross Profit (after charging depreciation) £10,932. 8. 3
Less Debenture Interest 8,758. 15. 0
Net profit £2,173. 13. 3
Brought forward from 1914 6,897. 6. 1
Balance £19,070. 37. 4

The Directors now recommend a Dividend at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum for the year, amounting to £2,750 (to be payable in April next at Exchange of 1/11) and the writing down of the cost of the Tramway Undertaking by a further £2,000, leaving to be carried forward £9,320.17.4.

TROUBLE AMONG CHINESE PASSENGERS.

Trouble arose among the Chinese passengers on the Wahsing on her voyage from Bangkok to Hongkong, where the vessel arrived yesterday.

The facts, as furnished by the manager of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s shipping department, are that shortly after leaving Bangkok the ship ran on a bank and sprung a rivet in the water-tanks, as a consequence of which the water became brackish and the Chinese passengers caused a disturbance. The ship put back and refilled her tanks with fresh water, there being no further trouble.

THE SINKING OF THE "PERIA."

A NOVEL SUGGESTION TO GUARD AGAINST SUBMARINES.

A correspondent writes to The Times:—The disclaimer of any liability for the destruction of the "Peria" and O. vessel, owing as it does so soon after their amazing request that the Gooleads should be an object of special care, containing, as they said, several "high-class" enemy subjects, was a surprise to the agency as to why this special interest in their own country-folk's safety should not be exploited by our Navy, in order to ensure the safety of our own passenger ships. Why should not a dozen or so of their interned countrymen be made to embark in every passenger or valuable cargo steamer as hostages and the fact be communicated to the enemy long previous to sailing? There is nothing either novel or heartless in this proposal, and if a few enemy subjects were sunk, and if a few

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

RUSSIA'S GREAT SUCCESS.

ERZERUM'S 1,000 GUNS.

HEROIC EFFORTS OF THE RUSSIAN FORCES.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 17. The *Official Messenger* estimates that Erzerum had a garrison of 100,000 officers and men and 467 guns, while the advanced forces had 3 1/2 guns and the central force 200.

London, Feb. 17. The German attacks on the Western Front have been promoted by a desire to impress neutrals, especially the Eastern States, but Russia's great stroke at Erzerum has been far more effective in that direction.

Erzerum is the key of Asia Minor, commanding the sole road open to the Russians towards the Bosphorus from Asia.

Trebizond is unlikely to resist long. There the Allies will have an unbroken line from the Black Sea to the North-Eastern edge of Mesopotamia.

Besides the victorious army at Erzerum, the Russians have two other armies in the Caucasus—one on the Black Sea littoral, the other in the region of Lake Van.

The capture of Erzerum removes the chief obstacle to raids on Turkish communications with Mesopotamia and facilitates the linking up of the British and Russian forces advancing towards Bagdad.

It is noteworthy that the massacre of the Armenians was directed from Erzerum.

The Russian capture in the depth of winter of a fortress situated at a height of 8,000 ft., notorious for its blizzards, was a most heroic performance. The operations began in January by a series of masterly actions whereby General Judenich cleared his flanks, forcing the Turks to evacuate Melazghert, south-east of Erzerum, and retreat to Mush. He then occupied Koprikem and Hassakula, both on the great Kars-Erzerum road.

It is estimated at Petrograd that the Turks in the three weeks prior to the assault on the forts lost 80,000 out of 200,000. Of the remainder only 75,000 were efficient organised units. Of these 40,000 were required to hold the town forts. The lack of a field army to hold the outer redoubts enabled the fortress to be destroyed by long-range fire.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 17. Erzerum is of enormous importance because it is the centre of the military administration, with huge ammunition magazines. The capture opens for the Russians a wide access northward, westward and southward, thus foiling the plans of the German Staff. Naturally the Turks will try to repair the disaster but the Russians will speedily consolidate their positions.

The Russian Press is particularly pleased that the capture will facilitate the operations of the British in Mesopotamia, besides re-echoing in the Balkans, Persia and Afghanistan.

There were fierce actions before the Turks were finally driven into the fortress. One retreating detachment was most anxious to save a park of the new German field kit-chens and formed them into a square. The Russian guns smashed them up and when the infantry rushed up they found the hungry Turks licking up the soup and stew.

Then a strangely distributed body of Turkish irregulars on the hill south-east of Erzerum was cut off. They promised surrender in the morning. As they made no sign at dawn the Russians cautiously climbed up and found the defenders frozen to death.

The mountains surrounding the fortress were littered with frozen corpses. Thousands of tons of abandoned munitions and stores were found and scattered enemy detachments were blocked up in some valleys by avalanches and starved to death.

ENEMY SUBMARINES SUNK.

BY FRENCH WARSHIPS IN THE ADRIATIC.

Paris, Feb. 17.

M. Hutin, in the *Echo de Paris* states that during the last three days French warships in the Adriatic have sunk two—perhaps three—enemy submarines.

GERMANY'S SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS EXPRESS DISAPPROVAL.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 17. The Socialists in the Prussian Diet have expressed disapproval of the Government's submarine campaign against merchantmen.

"BUTTER TICKETS" IN GERMANY.

London, Feb. 17.

Germany starts the issue of butter tickets on March 1st.

AUSTRIAN OFFENSIVE CEASED AT DURAZZO.

CORFU, Feb. 17.

The Austrians have ceased their offensive at Durazzo owing to the arrival of Italian troops.

Gun-ralissimo Putnik has joined the Serbians at Corfu.

GENERAL SARRAIL TO VISIT KING OF GREECE.

SALONIKA, Feb. 17.

General Sarrail, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces at Salonika, is to pay a visit to King Constantine shortly.

GREEKS ROUT BULGARIAN COMITADJIS.

SALONIKA, Feb. 17.

The Greeks in a two hours' fight routed another band of Bulgarian Comitadjis who were penetrating into Greece. The Greeks are now vigilantly guarding the whole of the frontier.

THE DEFENCES OF SALONIKA.

A PRO-GERMAN VIEW.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

A Correspondent of the pro-German Swiss newspaper, the *Zurich Zeitung*, in a long description of the defences of Salonika, says they are impregnable.

THE OPERATIONS IN ALBANIA.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

Italian reports show that the Bulgarian and Austrian advance in Albania is extremely slow, the Bulgarians especially being hampered by lack of transport and roads.

THE BRITISH ARMY.

A PENSIONS QUESTION.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

Replying to a Labourite amendment to the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, demanding pensions for those who contracted disease whilst serving with the Colours, Mr. Forster announced that the Government had established a new body to deal with such cases which are outside the limit of the Pensions Warrant.

THE OUTPUT OF EXPLOSIVES.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Runciman have conferred with the distillers with a view to increasing the output for the purposes of explosives.

THE WAR'S DEMANDS ON LABOUR.

CESSATION OF PRIVATE BUILDING URGED.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

Mr. Lloyd George urges the cessation of building and the temporary transference of labour to building munition factories.

THE INCREASE IN PRICE OF FOOD.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The Board of Trade *Labour Gazette* states that prices of food in Great Britain have increased 47 per cent, compared with 43 per cent. in Germany and 113 per cent. in Austria.

LIEUT.-COLONEL WINSTON CHURCHILL.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The fact that Mr. Winston Churchill is now a Lieut.-Colonel was mentioned by Mr. Tennant in the House of Commons last night.

RESIGNATION OF AN M.P.

DISAPPROVES GOVERNMENT'S WAR POLICY.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

Sir Wilfred Lawson, M.P. for Cockermouth, has resigned because he disapproves of the Government's War policy.

THE FLOODS IN HOLLAND.

A FRESH CATASTROPHE THREATENED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 17.

The north-west storm is imperilling Holland. The waters are rushing in at Mounikendam and the inhabitants of Volendam are again evacuating the district. The railway dyke between Purmerend and Oostzaan has been destroyed, threatening a fresh catastrophe.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(With Tse Yat Po's Service.)

LUCHOW RECAPTURED.

PEKING, Feb. 18.

The city of Luchow (Szechuan) has been recaptured from the rebels by Government troops.

MONGOLIAN TRIBUTE TO PEKING.

PEKING, Feb. 18.

The Mongolian ruler of Szechuan Khan has paid his respects to the Chinese Government, forwarded a tribute list, and made suggestions for the future Government of Mongolia.

NEW APPOINTMENT FOR ADMIRAL LI.

PEKING, Feb. 18.

Admiral Li Chun, formerly stationed at Canton, is to be appointed Patrol Commissioner of the Upper Yangtze.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMANY'S SUBMARINE POLICY.

THE AMERICAN NEGOTIATIONS.

ENTIRE QUESTION RE-OPENED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.

Count Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, has conferred with Mr. Lansing relative to the advisability of postponing the application of Germany's submarine order in view of further negotiations.

THE DAMAGE TO STEAMERS AT BROOKLYN.

EXPLOSION DUE TO ELECTRIC WIRES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.

The owners of the *Dolton Castle* and the *Pacific* state that both steamers will be saved, but that they are seriously damaged.

A FORTY YEARS' TEST.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy has been curing coughs and colds for the past forty years and has gained in popularity every year. What better recommendation is required? For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

DUTCH STEAMER DAMAGED.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The Dutch steamer *Bandoeng*, from Batavia to Rotterdam, is being towed to Northfleet, in a damaged condition.

MORE INCENDIARISM IN CANADA.

AMERICAN CLUB DESTROYED.

TORONTO, Feb. 17.

Following an explosion in a top storey building, a fire destroyed the American Club. One person was killed and two injured.

RENEWED FLOODS IN HOLLAND.

WHOLE DISTRICTS THREATENED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 17.

A storm which has lasted two days again threatens the districts of the Zuider Zee, especially Mounikendam. Hundreds of workmen are toiling throughout the night to prevent a fresh breach of the dyke.

RECORD WAR CREDIT.

MR. ASQUITH TO ASK FOR £400,000,000.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The *Daily Telegraph* states that Mr. Asquith on Monday will ask for a vote of credit for, possibly, £400,000,000, which is the largest in history.

BRITAIN'S AIR SERVICE.

"ONE OF THE GLORIES OF THE BRITISH ARMS."

LONDON, Feb. 17.

The House of Commons discussed an amendment to the Address, in reply to the Speech from the Throne expressing regret that the Speech did not mention the measures taken to strengthen the air service.

FIGHTING ON THE BRITISH FRONT.

AN "INTERNATIONAL" TRENCH.

LONDON, Feb. 17.

General Sir Douglas Haig, in a *communiqué*, reports that there has been reciprocal artillery bombardments and heavy grenade fighting for the past twenty-four hours between the Ypres-Commines canal, and the Ypres-Commines railway. The fighting continues.

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THE REVOLT OF YUNNAN.

PEKING AND THE GOVERNOR.

A correspondent writes to the London Times as under:—

Your Peking correspondent, in a telegram, dated December 27, said:—"The province of Yunnan yesterday declared its independence." I understand this to mean that the Military Governor and his staff declared their independence. It is not to be supposed, by those acquainted with the remarkable province, that the people generally, prosperous merchants of Yunnan-fu, Hsiao-tsun, Teng-tsun, and Ch'li-fu, of Meng-tse and Sze-mao and Yung-chang, or the artisans of the towns, last of all the great masses of tribespeople who constitute the larger part of the rustic population, are animated by a desire to cancel the Monarchy, execute the promoters of the Monarchical movement, or revert to Republicanism for its own sake.

From May to September last I was travelling in Yunnan province or staying at Yunnan-fu, the provincial capital. I journeyed overland from Blauco, in Burma, visited most of the principal cities of Yunnan, and was impressed by the warm loyalty of the middle and lower classes towards both the Government and the person of Yuan Shih-kai. Of this I am in no doubt. It is true that the European in China is easily misled as to Chinese opinion, and I claim no exemption from such liability, but the indications seemed to me conclusive. Possibly some of the experienced missionaries, such as those of the China Inland Mission at Yunnan-fu and Tai-li, than whom there are few better judges, would agree with me. How, then, comes the Military Governor—not at all a man of marked courage—to adopt such a bold course?

It is not wise to enquire up a German body as the cause of every evil, but we may see the German at work here. The *North China Daily News* drew attention, I think, six months ago to the danger. Let it be remembered (1) that the province of Yunnan was an independent State not many years ago, under a Mahomedan ruler, an ex-shopkeeper of Tai-fu, who administered the State and gave himself the title of Sultan; (2) that the Mahomedan element has been persecuted or discredited ever since the downfall of that ruler, but still retains great strength, probably enough to dominate the province; (3) that the Germans, chiefly officials or "semi-officials," consuls, merchants representing Carlwits and Co., and other firms (chiefly interested before the European war in the import of arms) have been cultivating the friendship of the Mahomedans in China, who have been generally ignored or left alone by other peoples, if only out of loyalty to the existing regime; (4) that the German agents at Yunnan-fu, Hsiao-tsun, and elsewhere have been incessantly forwarding, without hindrance, all the reports, true or false, of German plus Tu kish triumphs and conquests that they could get hold of, and have been better supplied with news than anyone else; (5) that the Chinese officials throughout the province have special deep grudges against the Allies, Germany alone, of the leading Powers, appears as the innocent lambkin, do no harm to the poor Yunnanese, but resorting to the methods of the other Powers.

Accordingly, up to the time of the war in Europe, Germany had practically a monopoly of the contracts over which the Yunnan Provincial Government had control. Lately that Government has had a difficult time, financial, and other, as the extent of its corruption became more and more evident. Officials were sent down from Peking to overhaul matters and call the Provincial Government to order. The extraordinary defalcations and irregularities, however, defied rectification. What course easier, than, as the case seemed to be, than to adopt the advice that has been held out to it, and defy Peking, staking all on the chance of maintaining local independence?

There is no country in Asia, outside the Himalaya region, which lends itself better than Yunnan to the operations of rebel or buccannery bands. The traveller, however mild he be, and the help recognizing as he stands on the heights above Yang-pl, or wanders along the mountain passes on either side of the Mekong or the Salween gorges, that one determined spirit with 200 armed men could take possession of any city in the province, except, perhaps, Yunnan-fu itself. It is an ideal country for brigands, of whom there are plenty. Indeed, every Shan and every Kachin on the Chinese side of the Burma border is a potential rebel, his hand against every man. But it is not Yuan Shih-kai, whether President or Emperor, whom they wish to fight; it is the local official, the minion of the Military Governor, whom they abominate. The Military Governor of Yunnan, whatever may be the case in other provinces, is the Governor, his civil colleagues being his own associates and faithful subordinates. I need not scandalize your readers by attempting to delineate the moral character of the Military Governor. He has few friends outside the pro-German circle. He added several members to his harem during the two months of his residence in the city, and lived his mother-forse the third time, with great splendour, at considerable cost as an acceptable method of winning popularity.

If it is safe to predict anything at all of China, it may be expected that the independence of Yunnan will not be followed by peace in the Empire. The neighbouring province of Kwei-chow is intimately knit up with Yunnan; the prosperous and wealthy province of Szechuan would not long be left alone by the buccannery.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

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MR. PICKWICK TO-DAY.

A SECOND CHRISTMAS JOURNEY TO DINGLEY DELL.

A correspondent has contributed the following article to The Times:

Christmas 1915, and Mr. Pickwick's second time on earth.

"And this is Charming Cross," exclaimed the venerable president of the Pickwick Club.

"God bless my soul, how it has altered! Where do we walk for the Commodore's coach for Rochester?"

"We were bound for Rochester and Dingley Dell."

"Coach, Mr. Pickwick! Coaches are things of a distant past. We are going by road, it is true, but my motor-car," and we indicated a well-appointed motor-car that was waiting hard by the historic Golden Cross.

"By one of those steam carriages!" exclaimed Mr. Pickwick, horrified. "No! You will excuse me, but I remember them too well. I recollect how, in 1836, the year before I first went to Rochester, one of Mr. Hancock and Colonel Maccaroni's steam carriages blew up in spite of its philosophical boiler!"

"Fie, everywhere—legs—arms—wheels flying—holiday party blown to fragments—shocking, shocking!"

The voice was the voice of Jingle, but there was not a sight of him anywhere. Mr. Pickwick allowed himself to be persuaded, the no explosion was to be feared from the modern automobile and prepared to take his seat. "But," said he, "what cause all the crowds to-day?"

It was explained that London's streets were nowadays far more crowded at all times than they were in 1837.

THE FIRST VIEW OF BEAK.

"Yes, yes, of course," agreed that amiable man; "and the people are strange. What, for example, is this in the dirty mustard-coloured clothes; the streets are crowded with them?" Mr. Pickwick had never before seen khaki; he was used only to red soldiers.

Fortunately Mr. Pickwick forgot that his voice was loud and his gestures free. The soldier heard him and naturally thought he was being ridiculed.

"I'm Tommy," he shouted indignantly; "that's the kind of thing I am; fightin' for the likes of you, do you say?"

cream dressed up like a bloomin' fadgy bear. 'Oo pinched 'is ole woman's dlobber 'cause 'e 'adn't got no overcoat of 'is own'!"

These allusions referred, firstly, to Mr. Pickwick's fat, fresh complexion; and, secondly, to the fur overcoat for motorists which had now been lent him.

A little crowd began to collect.

"Now then, pass away there!" commanded a constable, shouldering along "If you're goin' on with that car, Sir, go!"

"We want. Of course, in these times, if we want to motor to Rochester, we do not go by Southwark and the main highway to Dover. We proceed by Hyde Park Corner, Lewisham Cross, Bexley, and Darenth. The route is two miles longer, but it avoids the horrible traffic of the Old and New Kent roads."

However, Mr. Pickwick must travel by the old way. He wanted to see Southwark again, just for a glance at the old White Hart, where he first saw, and engaged on the spot, Sam Weller.

"Afraid, sir, we shall not find the White Hart," he was pulled down many years ago." So we halted, instead, at the George, very like the other and now the only remaining ancient inn with galleries and courtyard in London.

There were some top factors in the bar; the "George" is greatly frequented by such. They were discussing the character of modern beer as we entered; and we caught the radical phrase—"Made with hantibut but ops."

"That is sad bearing, Sir," said Mr. Pickwick.

"It is," returned one of the company, shortly.

"And of what, pray, is bear now made, Sir, if I may ask?"

"Klimical."

"Thank you, Sir, I am vastly obliged to you. And now, Sir, if you will join me in a glass, I shall be delighted."

"Where on earth does that queer old stick come from?" asked the other, said.

And then, aloud, "Ain't you 'ead rat of the new drink regulations? I want to get us all into trouble!"

We extricated ourselves with difficulty, Mr. Pickwick having, after some trouble, succeeded in obtaining that warming drink of our forefathers, rum and milk.

THE OLD RUM, ROCHESTER.

And so at length into Rochester. There, as of yore, stood the Old Bull Inn—its style itself an "hotel" now—with the original "illustrious ladder" in the entrance, still behind its glass doors "developing noble joints and tarts."

It is not "fifteen miles, cross-road" from Rochester to Dingley Dell; barely eight, along the Maidstone road. Uphill goes the way breasting Blue Bell Hill and by Kit's Coty House, an ancient cromlech that aroused Mr. Pickwick's antiquarian zeal. But we swiftly passed it and descended to Sandling, turning there, to the right at the Running Horse Inn. Presently the road descended a hill, with fine hedgerow timber and orchards and hop-gardens on either side. A turbulent little brook splashed down on the left: a robin, himself of a Pickwickian, portly aspect, sang a cheerful song on a leafless spray—and we rose to a lodge and turned into the right to a drive.

"Delightful situation" this, said Mr. Pickwick. He had said the like some eighty years ago.

"Welcome, gentlemen, to Manor Farm!" exclaimed a hearty voice at this point; and a bluff person, in the John Bull-like costume of an old English yeoman, presented himself—Mr. Wardle.

We entered the house. "Bless my soul!" exclaimed his Pickwick, "how you have altered it!" And, being a person of the Georgian period, not used to moving about among modern light articles of furniture, he oversteered a small, occasional table with a crash.

DINGLEY DELL.

The noise awoke me. You see, I had the day before been on a literary pilgrimage to Cobtree Manor, near Maidstone, and this evening I had fallen asleep by the fire, over "Pickwick." Cobtree, which you will find on the map midway between Aylesford and Maidstone, is the undoubted original of "Dingley Dell," but extensive alterations have entirely changed the interior of the house since Dickens wrote, and it is now a residence rather than a farm. But from its windows can be actually seen the pond, and there is yet the kitchen, much the same, although people cannot now "rise from their seats in the chimney-corner," because a close range hills it up. So we have to picture Mr. Snodgrass drinking his cherry-brandy there, in front of the glowing fire, with the eye of faith. Nor do we find the old blunderbuss over the mantelpiece with its legend "Loaded."

In short, Mr. Tywilt-Drake, the present owner of Cobtree, does not live up to the Dickens traditions as many another would do.

A curious detail is that the old beam running across the kitchen ceiling marks the dividing-line of the parishes of Bexley and Allington, the house being thus in both. The letters "B" and "A" cut into the wood draw attention to the fact.

But a much more curious thing was the sight of two lion cubs there. Mr. Tywilt-Drake keeps a menagerie. How his pets would have made the timid Pickwickians jump!

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